

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A connection element for attaching a planiform or dish-shaped component to a supporting structure having a retainer mounted thereon, the connection element comprising:

a holder being capable of coupling with ~~coupled to~~ the component, an insertion pin is held on ~~by~~ the holder, such that the insertion pin is adjustable at least in at least a Z-translational direction in relation to a surface of the component and mates to

a receiver being capable of coupling with ~~coupled to~~ the structure; wherein ~~and~~ the insertion pin has a trunnion portion, the receiver is of an elastically deformable soft material and having a first recess, the first recess being contoured for receiving ~~the~~ trunnion portion of the insertion pin, providing a snap connection between the receiver and the insertion pin;

wherein the receiver includes a support flange; the support flange being capable of coupling with the retainer mounted on the structure such that the support flange of the receiver fits flat against the retainer, and is adjustably held and attachable in an XY-plane substantially perpendicularly in relation to the Z-translational direction; and a locking means for locking the support flange within the retainer mounted on the structure, when the insertion pin activates the locking means.

2. (Currently amended) The connection element of claim 1, ~~further comprising a locking device, wherein the insertion pin activates the locking device, firmly clamping the support flange within the retainer mounted on the structure, when the insertion pin is snapped in the recess of the receiver, wherein the locking device~~ means comprises a mechanical mechanism or a hydraulic mechanism activated when the insertion pin is snapped into an attachment position of the receiver.

3. (Currently amended) The connection element of claim 1 wherein the receiver further ~~comprising~~ comprises a second recess contoured for receiving the trunnion portion of the

insertion pin, the second recess being disposed at a distance from the first recess in the Z-translational direction.

4. (Currently amended) The connection element of claim 1, wherein the insertion pin is coupled with the holder by ~~has~~ a screw thread means for adjusting in the Z-translational direction.
5. (Currently amended) The connection element of claim 4 [[1]], further comprising an anchorage part coupled to the insertion pin, wherein the anchorage ~~pin part~~ has a provides the screw thread means for coupling the anchorage part with the holder, adjustably.
6. (Previously Presented) The connection element of 5, wherein the insertion pin is coupled with the anchorage part by a ball joint.
7. (Previously Presented) The connection element of claim 1, wherein the retainer includes a retention plate and the support flange of the receiver is capable of being retained by the retention plate.
8. (Previously Presented) The connection element of claim 1, further comprising a U-shaped clamp, wherein the receiver includes at least one anchorage, and the U-shaped clamp is insertable into the upright anchorage such that the trunnion portion is capable of being secured in the first recess.
9. (Previously Presented) The connection element of claim 1, wherein the soft material of the receiver is an elastomer.
10. (Currently Amended) The connection element of claim [[2]] 1, wherein the locking ~~device~~ means includes an intermediate pin, and the intermediate pin contacts the

insertion pin, when the insertion pin is inserted in the first recess, such that the intermediate pin firmly clamps the support flange within the retainer.